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At the close of the week there were in the Hospital São Sebastião 42 cases of variola, 13 cases of bubonic plague, 1 case of yellow fever, and 7 cases of infectious diseases under observation.

Week ended November 19, 1905: Total deaths for the week, 283. Causes of deaths: Yellow fever, 2, with 5 new cases reported, of which number 2 were confirmed as being true yellow fever, and the remaining 3 were placed under observation. Bubonic plague caused 5 deaths, with 14 new cases reported. Variola caused 3 deaths, with 5 new cases reported. At the end of the week there were in the Hospital São Sebastião 33 cases of variola, 9 cases of plague, with 10 supposed cases under observation; and no cases of yellow fever.

Report from Bahia—Plague.

BAHIA, BRAZIL, December 14.

Five cases plague, 3 deaths.

ROWE, Vice-Consul.

BRITISH HONDURAS.

History of yellow fever death at Belize reported November 28, 1905.

R. H. Peters, formerly acting assistant surgeon at Belize, reports from Mobile, Ala., December 11, as follows:

At Belize there was one death reported from yellow fever November 28.

The patient, a young Englishman, arrived in Belize November 11 from England. On the 15th he went to Stann Creek, which is about 20 miles from Belize, was taken sick on November 21, and on the 26th was brought back to Belize, where he died on the 28th. The diagnosis was confirmed by the necropsy. Sporadic cases of yellow fever still appear along the Guatemala railroad.

Report from Shanghai—Inspection of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, November 9, as follows:

During the week ended November 4, 1905, 2 supplemental bills of health were issued to 2 steamers, and there were inspected 2 vessels, 185 crew, and 46 steerage passengers. There were disinfected 8 pieces of baggage, and 1 piece was examined and passed. Manifests were viséed for 34,472 pieces of freight. Eight emigrants for San Francisco per steamship *Doric* were examined and passed.

There were no reports of quarantinable disease received from outports.

CUBA.

Reports from Habana—Inspection of vessels—Yellow fever—Measures for preventing spread of yellow fever.

Passed Assistant Surgeon von Ezdorf reports, December 2, 15, and 18, as follows:

Week ended December 9, 1905:

Vessels inspected.....	24
Passengers inspected.....	503
Crew inspected.....	1, 119
Certificates issued to passengers for Panama.....	—
Vessels fumigated prior to sailing.....	—

During the week 13 cases and 3 deaths from yellow fever were reported for the city of Habana. One case of yellow fever was reported at Alacranes, a station between Habana and Matanzas. One of the cases had been diagnosed November 29, but it is included in this report, as the case was not reported to this office until the 6th instant.

I have been informed that the authorities propose to hold laborers for five days in detention before permitting them to travel to the interior of the island.

It is recognized that a great source of danger is from the influx of Spanish immigrants, who live in a crowded condition in the city. These people, when taken sick, move from place to place until required to call in medical assistance, thus spreading infection, if the case is one of yellow fever, and thereby increasing the number of unknown foci. The authorities also contemplate controlling the influx of immigrants to the city.

The authorities have 7 fumigating squads of 25 men in each. This force is to be increased by 5 more squads of 25 men each on the 11th instant. Sulphur is being used more generally for fumigating purposes.

At present 68 men compose the oiling forces, which will also be increased by 30 men on the 11th instant.

There is one screening squad of 12 men who screen the rooms of suspects reported when such are not transferred to Las Animas Hospital.

There are 12 inspectors who report on the sanitary condition of houses inspected.

Eight physicians are employed to inspect all nonimmunes in the infected district.

DECEMBER 15.

No new cases; 1 death, yellow fever, reported yesterday.

DECEMBER 18.

Three new cases yellow fever confirmed 15th instant.

Summary of yellow fever cases in Cuba.

DECEMBER 14.

Total yellow fever cases in Cuba since October 17 till present date, 57, among which one developed at Matanzas City, another at Alacranes, and a third at Real Campina, Santa Clara Province. All apparently infected in Habana. Largest number in treatment at any time, 22, December 6; to-day, only 16. * * *

FINLAY.

Reports from Matanzas—History of yellow fever cases at Union de Reyes and Colon—Precautions against spread of yellow fever.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Nuñez reports, December 8, 11, and 12, as follows:

The town of Union de Reyes, of 3,000 inhabitants, is situated at a distance of about 30 miles to the south of Matanzas, having daily communication by railway with this city. Within 4 miles from Union de Reyes is the town of Alacranes, having about the same number of